## CTE IN MEMORIAL HALL STATE CAPITOL BUILDING - BISMARCK, ND

# 2007 Career & Technical Education Month Theme: Career Tech: Today an Education, Tomorrow a Career

### **CRITERIA**

#### WHAT WE WANT TO DO

- Let legislators and others <u>experience</u> the quality of career and technical education programs in North Dakota.
- ➤ Hear and see what students are learning, from the students themselves.

#### WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

- Active, working demonstrations/displays of students and their work.
- Exhibits that get the audience involved (i.e. "hands-on")

#### WHAT WE WANT TO TELL THE AUDIENCE

- > CTE can be the route to exciting, well-paid careers in many fields, including those that require a bachelor's degree or more.
- > CTE helps students explore several career clusters or train for employment in one cluster.
- > CTE teaches language, math, and science skills in the context of career interests.
- > CTE can improve the academic grades of students by making academic skills relevant.
- > CTE expands a student's career options by helping students develop transferable skills and universal workplace attitudes.
- > CTE gives students a sense of direction.
- > CTE provides opportunities for students to develop leadership skills, especially through the career and technical student organizations.
- > CTE students learn to balance the demands of personal, work, and family life.
- > CTE trains, retrains, and upgrades skilled workers for in-demand jobs that are well paid and personally fulfilling.
- ➤ CTE prepares students for challenging careers in current and emerging occupations, including those in a variety of high-tech, health, and other emerging career fields.
- Investment in CTE is a good investment in the future of North Dakota.